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The hon. Mr. K. Srinivasa Ayyangar :—"May I mention, Sir, that there is no meaning in the question as it is? The question is (1) when the Government proposed to undertake the Cauvery Reservoir Project (Mettur) ; and (2) whether the Government of Mysore have forwarded their final arbitration report regarding this project. There is no arbitration at all as regards this project in the first place and the Mysore Government have nothing to do with it. Further there is no arbitration report to be sent in by the Mysore Government. I do not know what the question means."

Diwan Bahadur M. Ramachandra Rao Pantulu :—"Sir, it is not a supplementary question that I now wish to ask; but with regard to the observations of my hon. friend, Mr. K. Srinivasa Ayyangar, that there was no project and so on, it is clear that the question is clearly understood by him and therefore it is not quite correct to say that it is not understood."

Quantity of manure sold from Government farms.

616 *Q.*—Mr. A. T. Palmer : Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state the total quantity of manure sold out from Government farms each year to private individuals for the last four years?

A.—The Government have no information ; but can call for it if the hon. Member will indicate more clearly what he wants. The Agricultural department deals with many different sorts of manures and vegetable manure seeds. A perusal of the marginally-noted paragraphs of the last two years' administration reports of the Agricultural department will enable him to indicate the branch of these activities about which he now requires information.

Paragraphs 124–30 of the administration report for 1921–22.
Paragraphs 89–91 of the administration report for 1920–21.

Muhammadan representation in departments under the hon. the Law Member's control.

617 *Q.*—Khan Bahadur Muhammad Sadulla Badsha Sahib : Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state the number of Muhammadans (excluding peons and attenders) employed in the departments under his control during the year 1921–22 ?

A.—The figures will be found in due course in the returns prescribed in G.O. No. 658, Public, dated 15th August 1922.

Mr. T. Sivasankaram Pillai :—"Does the return mentioned in the answer include the case of the Public Prosecutor also ?

The hon. Mr. K. Srinivasa Ayyangar :—"I believe the Public Prosecutor is not a Government servant and the return is only with regard to the Government servants."

Mr. T. Sivasankaram Pillai :—"Sir, the wording in the question is 'employed' ; and I think the Public Prosecutors are employed because they are given a daily fee."